

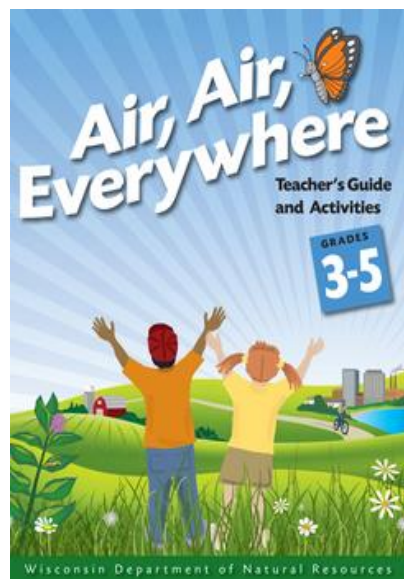
# Air News

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - Air Program

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## 2017 Air, Air Everywhere Poetry Contest

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources held their annual poetry contest this May to celebrate Clean Air Month. Third, fourth and fifth grade students across Wisconsin completed an activity from DNR's Air, Air Everywhere teacher's activity guide, and wrote poems and riddles on what they learned about our air. "We received many excellent entries and appreciate the creativity and hard work of all the students that participated," said Gail Good, Air Program Director. The department would like to announce that Ali Adhami of Madinah Academy of Madison took first place in this year's competition. Congratulations Ali! Here is the winning poem:



### **Ode to Air**

Air, air, it's everywhere,  
In your face and in your hair  
It can be a gentle breeze,  
It leaves your mouth when you  
sneeze,  
It can be a strong gust,  
It can carry debris or dust.  
So when you feel air blow by,  
Just remember to say "hi."

Air, air, in the sky,  
It can carry a plane or a fly,  
Sweet air, cradle of life,  
Protect it, without any strife.  
You inhale it,  
You exhale it,  
If of air we were deprived,  
None of us would have survived

About that there is no debate,  
You don't have to be quite,  
Feel free to start a riot.  
Let's work on the solution,  
To curb the air pollution,  
And make sure no one protests,  
That air needs our best.

For more information on the Air, Air Everywhere guide and to view the runners-up, visit the [Poetry Contest Web page](#) on DNR's Website. Educators may order the Air, Air Everywhere guide by sending their name and mailing address to [DNRAirEducation@wi.gov](mailto:DNRAirEducation@wi.gov).

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